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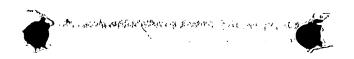
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# Authorization To Treat A Reply As Incorporating An Extension Of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3)

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply that requires a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge all required extension of time fees to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036, if such fees are not otherwise provided for in such reply.

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The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

- 1. PTO Fee Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/17);
- 2. USPTO Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form PTO/SB/05;
- 3. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

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and naming as inventors:

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the application comprising:

- a. specification containing:
  - i. 131 pages of description prior to the claims;
  - ii. 4 pages of claims (18 claims);
  - iii. a one (1) page abstract;
- b. <u>55</u> sheets of drawings: (Figures <u>1-11</u>, 12A-12D, 13, 14A-14B, 15A-15B, 16, 17A-17B, 18-20, 21A-21D, 22A-22B, 23A-23B, 24, 25A-25D, 26A-26B, 27, 28A-28F, 29-31, 32A-32C, 33A-33B, 34A-34B, 35A-35B, 36A-36C, 37A-37C, 38A-38C, 39, 40A-40B, 41A-41B, 42, 43A-43B, 44-45);
- c. an original executed Declaration; and
- d. an Application Data Sheet (37 C.F.R. § 1.76).
- 4. 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) Authorization to Treat a Reply As Incorporating An Extension of Time;
- 5. Recordation Form Cover Sheet;
- 6. An original executed Assignment to <u>Matrics, Inc.</u>, recordation of which is hereby respectfully requested;
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- 8. Our check number 34161 for \$ 410.00 to cover: \$370.00 filing fee; and \$40.00 assignment recordation fee.

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It is respectfully requested that, of the two attached postcards, one be stamped with the filing date of these documents and returned to our courier, and the other, prepaid postcard, be stamped with the filing date and unofficial application number and returned as soon as possible.

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